WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An information recording apparatus comprising:

means for discriminating a WO type information
recording medium and a rewritable type information
recording medium;

control means for each of said WO type information recording medium and said rewritable type information recording medium; and

display means for displaying a result of said discrimination.

- 2. An enclosing casing of an information recording medium, wherein said casing has an identifying unit for discriminating kinds of information recording media of a WO type and a rewritable type.
- 3. An information recording medium on which identification information to discriminate kinds of information recording media of a WO type and a rewritable type has been recorded.
- 4. An information recording apparatus for recording intermediate information to manage recorded file information onto an information recording medium.
- 5. An apparatus according to claim 4, wherein when said information recording medium is ejected from said information recording apparatus, said intermediate information is recorded onto said information recording medium.
- 6. An apparatus according to claim 4, wherein when there is a fear such that said information recording

apparatus cannot normally record information onto said information recording medium, said intermediate information is recorded onto said information recording medium.

- 7. An apparatus according to claim 4, wherein final file management information is formed from said intermediate information and is recorded onto said information recording medium.
- 8. An apparatus according to claim 7, wherein as said file management information which is recorded to an information recording medium of a WO type or a rewritable type, information of both of a Universal Disk Format and an ISO9660 standard of an International Standardization Organization is recorded.
- 9. An apparatus according to claim 4 or 7, further comprising means for changing file management information of a WO type information recording medium, thereby making it impossible to access to a designated file.
- 10. An apparatus according to claim 4 or 7, further comprising means for overwriting arbitrary information to recorded information of a WO type information recording medium.